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## AIMED AT RECIPROCITY

BILL FAVORING ABROGATION IN ONE YEAR.

Senator Nelson, of Minnesota, Says It Is Intended as a Blow at the Sugar Trust.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—The first gun in the war on the Hawaiian reciprocity treaty was fired in the Senate today when Senator Knute Nelson, of Minnesota introduced a bill giving notice to the Government of the islands of the abrogation of the treaty at the end of one year. This is provided in the treaty, and the only surprise shown is that the attack comes from this source, as the Southern Senators are the ones who have heretofore shown a desire to attack this convention. Senator Nelson said concerning the bill that he is actuated by a desire to strike a blow at the sugar trusts. He is now at work as an opponent of all trades combinations, and this move is one of many along these lines. He said he believed the sugar trust, by reason of the advantage gained by securing a free entry of Hawaiian sugar, was enabled to hold more securely the American refined sugar trade, and so he took this means of curtailing the power of the trust.

Senator Aldrich, who has always been considered as acting in sympathy with the combined refiners, is said to be the most active advocate of abrogation. The greatest strength of the anti-Hawaiian interest has always been held to be the adherence of the Rhode Island Senator. Annexationists, while they do not make specific claims of strength, express confidence in their ability to prevent any action inimical to their interests, relying on the friendship of President McKinley. It is now considered certain that no action as to annexation can be secured this session. The position of the leaders in the House indicates that nothing can be done, and so annexationists are taking no active steps, that the Administration may not be embarrassed.

The introduction of Nelson's resolution indicates that the tariff bill will contain a clause inserted in the House declaring that the proposed duty does not apply to Hawaiian sugar. Members of the Finance Committee said today that they did not consider the Dingley bill a proper place to introduce a change in treaty relations. Opponents of the treaty in California are at work. Senator Perkins has received a petition bearing 100 names, sent on by the Alvarado beet sugar factory officials. The petition sets forth five reasons why the treaty operates against the beet sugar industry and is almost entirely in favor of the islands. One of the leading sugar men of San Francisco also writes that the differential of one-eighth of a cent is not sufficient to keep out Hongkong refined sugar, treated by labor paid 12½ cents a day in gold, while workers in San Francisco receive 20 cents an hour. He predicts that if no greater differential is given, Chinese sugar refiners will sell all the sugar they can make in San Francisco.

**MARSDEN WRITES HOME.**  
In the Australia's mail was a fat letter from Secretary of Agriculture Joseph Marsden to Wray Taylor, who is attending to his duties while he is away on his vacation. In it were contained the plans, specifications and a letter regarding the Croley Home Pigeon loft, which he had already inspected in San Francisco. The plans for the loft selected by Mr. Marsden will provide for fifty breeding birds. Mr. Taylor will lay the letter before the officers of the company formed to promote this industry. If favorable action should be taken Mr. Marsden can select the birds while in San Francisco.

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## MINISTER DID NOT COME

THE AMERICAN ENVOY FAILED TO APPEAR.

Arrival of the Australia After a Pleasant Run—Ship Owner Sewell Was Not a Passenger—The Passengers.

When the Australia steamed down the channel this morning there were many in the crowd on the wharf who confidently expected to see a full-fledged American Minister standing on the bridge, with a proclamation already written and embossed, in his hand declaring the Hawaiian Islands the territory of the United States. But they were disappointed. There was no one aboard who appeared to share in their expectations, and all seemed surprised that the good people on the dock had any expectations. The Philadelphia incident seems to have been forgotten by the newspaper correspondents on the coast and at Washington.

Hon. Arthur Sewall, Democratic Vice Presidential candidate in the recent general election, an owner of the famous Sewall line of ships, did not arrive either. When he left his home at Bath, Me., about five weeks ago, it was with the intention of taking passage on the Kenilworth for this port. Capt. Baker was in a hurry, and could not await the arrival of the big ship owner, so it was expected that he would come down on the Australia. It appears, however, that he has changed his plans and deferred his trip for the present at least.

In an interview in San Francisco, Mr. Sewall stated that his son, Harold M. Sewall, was a candidate for the position of United States Minister to Hawaii, but he could say nothing of the young man's chances, as he had received no advice from him. Mr. Sewall said that the report that his son was on his way to the islands was incorrect.

The Australia made a fine run down from the Golden Gate. She had a jolly crowd of passengers on board, and they enjoyed the trip. When she arrived this morning she was obliged to dock at the Pacific Mail wharf, because the Kenilworth could not get clear of the Oceanic dock in time. Tomorrow she will move into her own berth.

Following is the list of the Australia's passengers: G. W. Baker and wife, Miss Irene Baker, C. W. Booth, wife and infant, Thos. Brown, Mrs. J. N. Brown, A. V. Callaghan, Miss Jessie Castle, Miss Curtin, Miss Mollie Curtin, Alfred Erskine, F. G. Fison, G. R. Grau, Mrs. R. S. Johnson, Prof. D. A. Koch, E. C. Leffingwell, P. Lewis, wife and daughter, Miss Lewis, F. Lincoln, wife and son, Mrs. Anna Long, F. A. Remele, Miss Robinson, Mrs. Emma Saylor, Miss Alice J. Saylor, Miss Anna Schmidt, K. L. Stoeppel, J. E. Taylor, Mrs. A. G. Winterhalter, Mrs. L. M. Winchell and child, Mrs. A. L. McIlmore and child.

## PURELY A CANARD.

The patrolmen sent to Manuel Rosa's home in Manoa valley yesterday afternoon by Marshal Brown to investigate the rumors of a tragedy there, learned that the reports were false. Mr. Rosa and wife were seen and there has been no family troubles whatever.

Since the above was written 'The Star' has learned that Manuel Rosa has commenced an action for libel against this paper; he wants \$5,000 damages.

## THE PRESIDENT CALLS.

President Dole, Minister of Foreign Affairs Damon ad interim and Adjutant General J. H. Soper made an official call on Admiral Beardslee Capt. Cotton and officers of the U. S. S. Philadelphia and Capt. James G. Greene, of the Marion, this morning.

## MAY WHIP "UNCLE SAM."

LONDON, April 1.—The St. James Gazette this afternoon, referring to the trouble in Hawaii in regard to the landing of Japanese immigrants, says that if a rupture between Japan and the United States occurs the latter may find the Japanese navy a hard customer to tackle.

## FOUR MONTHS AT HARD LABOR.

W. P. Morrow was convicted of gross cheat and sentenced to four months' hard labor on the reef, in the Police Court today. Frank Lillis, the hackman, arrested with Morrow on the same charge, was discharged. Morrow was convicted of selling opium tins filled with poi to Chinamen, representing to them that it was opium.

## NOT PROPERLY MANAGED

THE ANNEXATION SENTIMENT MUST BE AROUSED.

So States a Prominent Lawyer, Who Is Friendly to Hawaii—Missionary Work Must Be Done at Once.

Hon. G. W. Baker, general counsel for the Southern Pacific Railroad Company, who arrived on the Australia this morning for a four weeks' visit to the islands, is one of the strongest friends of annexation in California. While he is here principally for rest and pleasure he hopes to secure sufficient information while here to enable him to demonstrate his friendliness to the islands in a practical manner when he returns to the Pacific Coast metropolis.

Mr. Baker has been the most talked-of man in California during the past few months. As the attorney for the Liquor Dealers' Association, he attended the recent Legislature as a lobbyist, and while there drafted a bill and succeeded in getting it through the House, which brought the Examiner down on his shoulders with all sorts of nasty charges. Out of it came the greatest scandal of the session, and the fight is still on. Mr. Baker has kept his skirts clear, although he has been savagely attacked by the Examiner. He has taken advantage of a lull in the fight to get a few weeks of rest, far away from the troublesome telegraph and daily mail.

"The sentiment of the McKinley Administration is in favor of annexation," said Mr. Baker this morning, but so far as I can learn Congress is opposed to it. This is explained by the fact that the people throughout the United States are generally indifferent to the issue. They know practically nothing of Hawaii, and because they know nothing, care nothing. Senators and Congressmen only want to please their constituents, and therefore are unwilling to bother themselves with a matter which does not directly concern their own interests.

"While going up to Carson City recently I had a long talk with Senator White upon the question. He is opposed to annexation, and it was his opinion that Congress cares nothing for it, and will give it a cold shoulder whenever the opportunity offers. Senator Perkins was once in favor of annexation, but it now opposed to it. In fact there is only one of California's nine representatives in Congress who is not opposed to the movement. This one is Congressman Barham and he is an enthusiast in favor of annexation.

"Personally, I am strongly in favor of annexation. These islands are now an absolute necessity to the United States, from every point of view. If we do not annex them some other country will, and that very soon. This Government, I understand, is self-supporting. It only has a national debt of \$1,000,000, which would not add materially to the load our Government is carrying. And, sooner or later, I believe that annexation must come.

"In my opinion the campaign for annexation is not being properly managed. To bring the matter to an issue, you must first arouse public sentiment in the United States, and bring the people there into full sympathy. This is an easy matter. The proper place to begin is in California. Send your strong men there; let them hold public meetings and tell the people of the resources of the islands—that they are rich and self-supporting; let their advantage to the United States from a geographical point of view be shown.

"The truth is that very few people in California know anything of the islands. All that they learn is from people who come here on pleasure trips. The great majority of Californians cling to the belief that the islands are inhabited by ignorant natives, with a few thousand renegade whites and an enormous number of Asiatics. Could they know the truth from the lips of your own orators and statesmen, it would be an easy matter to swing California enthusiastically into line for annexation and California's representatives in Congress would be compelled to advocate the movement. The sentiment of the people of California once aroused, it would spread through the entire country. If our representatives in Congress can be forced into line, there is hope for the cause. They are fighters, and would make their influence felt.

"Hawaii has some staunch friends in California, but none so staunch, probably, as Hugh Craig, president of the Chamber of Commerce."

## PERKINS AND THE TREATY

THE SENATOR BELIEVES THE MEASURE IS DOOMED.

Opposition Is So Strong that Defeat Is Almost Certain—He Will Propose an Amendment—His Position.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—"Believing that opposition to the Hawaiian reciprocity treaty is so strong that its defeat is almost certain, I am now preparing to introduce an amendment to the treaty at the proper time which will grant a differential of ½ cent in favor of sugar from the islands. In other words, with a duty on sugar at 1½ cents a pound, 90 per cent polarization, the imports from the Hawaiian Islands would pay 1 cent a pound. This would mean a remission of at least \$2,000,000 a year on Hawaiian sugars."

Senator Perkins thus outlines his position on the Hawaiian treaty tonight. He said he had given the matter much thought, had carefully considered the many protests from both mercantile and farming interests in California, and had arrived at the conclusion that on such a basis as he proposes the islands will be given benefits more nearly commensurate with those enjoyed by this country in the free entry of its goods into the islands. Protests have reached the Senator from business men of San Francisco, from farmers who supply beets to factories and from the State orange. All of these he takes to indicate that it is the belief of the majority of Californians that the development of the beet sugar industry of California will come only through restrictions upon the free entry of the product of Hawaii. The amount of trade San Francisco now enjoys with the islands, according to statements which have reached the Senator, is not nearly so large as that enjoyed by the producers of sugar, and to equalize matters a revision of the treaty along the lines he suggests he believes is now absolutely necessary. As Senator White indicated before he went away that he favored the abrogation of the treaty, the stand of Perkins practically unites California's representatives in the Senate.

"I have given this matter most careful study since it first came up and have watched the growing opposition in the Senate to it," said Perkins. "I believe that not only a majority of the members of the Finance Committee in favor of abrogation at the present time, but that a large vote could be secured for Nelson's resolution should it be reported from the Foreign Relations Committee. I am informed that all but two members of the Cabinet favor the abrogation of this treaty, in the belief that the advantages of it accrue to Hawaii to a much greater extent than to this country. The \$7,000,000 remitted on sugar imports from the islands is greatly in excess of the amount we should pay for the trade we enjoy. We pay too dearly for our whistle.

"I am convinced from statements of farmers that the amount of benefit which would accrue to them would more than justify our action in the development of the beet sugar industry, as seems to be the opinion of both ranchers and business men. It would, moreover, retain for us practically all the trade we now enjoy, should we so amend the treaty that the Hawaiian producers would have a differential of one-half a cent, and a practical bounty of \$2,000,000 a year that it would give."

## AFTER HAWAIIAN TRADE.

The British steamer Amapoora sailed from Astoria on her first trip to Honolulu today, says the Examiner of the 13th. She has been chartered by Portland people and it is their intention to establish a line of steamers between Portland and Honolulu, in the hope of cutting into the island trade, all of which now comes to this port.

## NEW CHARTERS.

The American ship W. L. Macy, 2092 tons, has been chartered by J. D. Spreckels & Bros. Co. to come here in ballast from San Francisco, to load sugar for New York.

The American schooner Albert Meyer, 398 tons, has been chartered in San Francisco to go in ballast to Alaska, thence to Kahului, with a load of fertilizer for the Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Co.

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## BRAVED PARENTAL ANGER

ROMANCE OF YOUTH AND HIS CHILD WIFE.

Come to Honolulu to Battle With Life—Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Church Flee from Persecutions—Romantic Story.

An American bride of but sixteen years, with her husband, a lad but one year older than she, have come to Honolulu from America to begin here anew a life that has had romance, care and then happiness crowded into it within a surprisingly short length of time.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Church are passengers on the Australia, which has just made port. Their appearance suggests anything but the existence of a matrimonial alliance and their quaint mannerisms and affection for each other have impressed those who have not known of their remarkable story, as most commendable dispositions of a brother and a sister.

The young couple has fled from two parental persecutions which had become unbearable. They met, wooed and married in spite of a concerted opposition from two families and laughed at their elders when threatened with absolute disinheritation. Each has a snug sum of money held in trust, but none of it could be secured while the parental blessing was withheld and unqualified denunciations set up in its place. So the child husband with his child wife gathered together what funds they could and resolved to seek some far-off land, there to await the attainment of a legal age and to escape the unpleasantness of a constant family discord.

Young Church's uncle had suffered his sympathies to be drawn out toward the young people and he succeeded in securing from the county clerk of San Francisco County, California, the license necessary to the union. A minister was shortly afterward visited and an odd little wedding held, witnessed by a very few people.

Young Church had only started out for himself, but was able to maintain a wife in an humble sort of way. His father met death through an accident some months ago, but the widow was left well provided for and no additional responsibility fell to the youth as a result.

Both families refused to countenance the compact, for the reason, as they said, of the girl's extreme youth. They were furious over the marriage and announced that a determined opposition would be offered forthwith. The young couple gave no heed to it all and quietly resolved to leave San Francisco. They secured tickets on the steamer at the lowest possible rate for their purse was low and what little money they had, was to go a long way. It necessitated their traveling second class, but they resolutely agreed to face this and make it pleasant in spite of everything else.

Their relatives were at the wharf when the hour of departure came, lamenting, protesting, and suggesting all kinds of compromises. But the young people were not to be deterred. The uncle was there and offered to advance any reasonable sum of money but they firmly declined all assistance and waved an adieu.

Young Church is an able lad and well qualified to earn a living for himself and wife if the coveted opportunity comes his way.

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